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EXPORT OF MANUFACTURED GOODS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the share of manufactured goods in aggregate export made during 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000;

(b) whether the Government are taking specific steps to increase the exports of manufactured goods; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN)

(a) As per the DGCI&S data export of manufactured goods and total exports for the year 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000 are as follows:-

(US $ Million)

Year	Total exports	Export of manufactured goods
1997-98	35006	26966
1998-99	33219	26201
1999-2000+	37538	31164

+ Provisional

(b) & (c) A number of steps have been taken to further enhance the export growth which include reduction in transaction cost through decentralisation, setting up SEZs, simplification of procedures, extending the EPCG schemes to all sectors and all capital goods without any threshold limit on payment of 5% of duty and various other measures as enumerated in the Exim Policy. Steps have also been taken to promote exports through multilateral and bilateral initiatives, identification of thrust sectors and focus regions.